

East County Intercom



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Newsletter

August 2008



National Night Out Celebration Against Crime in East County

The Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center and Enclave Silver Spring will host a National Night Out event on **Tuesday, August 5, from 6 to 9 p.m., at the Enclave Silver Spring apartment community, located at 11225 Oak Leaf Drive in Silver Spring.** Activities will include finger



printing kits and picture identification cards for children, bicycle registration, self defense demonstrations, a 911 (learning) simulator, crafts, swimming, free food, music and much more. Attendees will also have the opportunity to meet and talk with local law enforcement officers. This is the 25th year that National Night Out has been celebrated in communities across the nation. The events give residents an opportunity to meet their neighbors and to strengthen their communities. The events also raise awareness of and support for crime and drug prevention programs. *Eastern Montgomery County's National Night Out is co-sponsored by Montgomery County's Departments of Police and Recreation, the Praisner Library, and Montclair Apartments.* **For more information, call 240-777-8400.**

Community Day at Windsor Court and Tower Enjoy food, games and entertainment with your neighbors at Windsor's second annual Community Day festival on **August 9th from 12 noon – 6:00 p.m.** The event will be held at the Windsor Court & Tower apartment community, **13802 Castle Blvd., Silver Spring** and is **free** to all East County residents. *Community Day activities include moon bounces, pony rides, a basketball tournament, face painting, lots of food and more. Live entertainment will be provided by Layce U Know & Tamika Jones. There will be something for all ages. Join the fun and get to know your neighbors!*



County to Hold 2008 Solar Car Derby - On **Saturday, August 23, from 10 a.m. to noon**, the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), in partnership with the Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center, will hold a free Solar Car Derby for children ages eight through 14. **The event will be held at the Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center located at 3300 Briggs Chaney Road in Silver Spring.** At the Derby, children will assemble a working, solar powered model car, which they may keep, and then take their cars outdoors for the race (weather permitting). Children will also learn about other forms of clean energy. Program participants must register and be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is a Montgomery County resident. The program is limited to 22 children and attendees must arrive promptly at 10 a.m. To participate, parents or guardians should contact DEP at **240-777-7700**, or email askdep@montgomerycountymd.gov with the name of the participant and the parent or guardian's name, address & home phone number.



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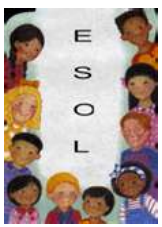
Montgomery County Police
3rd Dist. Police - Silver Spring
801 Sligo Avenue,
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Tel #(301) 565-7740



The Peoples' Community Wellness Center at EMRSC

A Cooperative Venture between the
People's Community Wellness Center
(TPCWC), Eastern Montgomery Regional
Services Center (EMRSC) & Mobile Med.
For questions, call TPCWC at
(301) 847-1172

Fuel-Efficient Cars: The Best and the Worst - The most fuel-efficient 2008 model year vehicles, as determined by the EPA. For more information go to: http://eartheasy.com/article_mileage_cars08.html

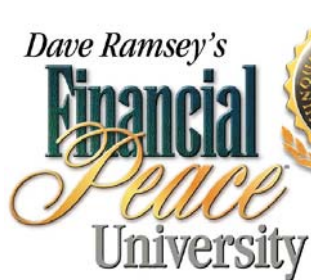


Free ESOL Classes to be Offered—The Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center will begin new daytime and evening ESOL classes (English for Speakers of Other Languages) for adults on **September 9th**. The classes will be open to all wishing to learn English.

Two classes, *beginner and intermediate/advanced levels*, provided by the Chinese Culture and Community Center, will be held on **Tuesday evenings from 6-9:00 p.m.** and will run *for 20 consecutive weeks*. A third class, provided by the African Immigrant Refugee Foundation, will meet on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.** This will be an *intermediate/advanced class*.

All classes are offered free of charge, however a \$10 refundable deposit and \$18 book fee are required. Registration will take place on the first day of class. To sign up for a class or to receive more information, call **240-777-8400**. **All classes are held at the Regional Center, 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring.**

Burtonsville Community Legacy Plan —The Department of Housing and Community Affairs will present their **Draft Burtonsville Legacy Plan** at the East County Citizen's Advisory Board's Monthly meeting on **September 3, 2008**. The meeting will start at **7:30 pm** and is open to the public.



PERSONAL FINANCE PROGRAM- An exciting 13 week personal finance program will be held Monday evenings, 7-9pm, starting on September 8. This is not your typical, boring finance class. This is Dave Ramsey's nationally recognized Financial Peace University (FPU) program. Personal finance is 20% knowledge and 80% behavior. These sessions are designed to change the way you think about money and are presented in a practical, easy to understand, and entertaining manner. What do you want your 2009 to look like?

A 20 minute video and downloadable registration form is available at <http://Forcey-FPU.org>. Please plan to register no later than August 24. Cost of required materials is \$100 (per family) for new participants. Former FPU participants attend at no cost. Hosted by Forcey Memorial Church, located at the corner of Old Columbia Pike and East Randolph (Cherry Hill) Road. Child care available with advance notice. For more information please email FPU@Forcey.org, call 301-830-2250 (Mark Doore) / 301-537-5014 (Ondine Doore), or view <http://Forcey-FPU.org>.

Program on Effective Resume Writing To be Held at Long Branch Library— Tips on how to create a resume and cover letter will be presented during a resume writing workshop to be held at the Long Branch Library on **August 6 at 1:30 p.m.** Part of the discussion will focus on job searching hints. The library is located at 8800 Garland Ave. in Silver Spring. The workshop is sponsored by the **Long Branch Library, in partnership with Montgomery Works.**

To request ADA accommodations, at least five work days in advance, receive more information, or to register, call the library at 240-777-0910.



Bill Ensuring Rights for Domestic Workers Approved: County Executive Isiah Leggett recently signed into law Bill 2-08 which requires employers of domestic workers (who work more than 20 hours a week for 30 days or more) to negotiate and offer a written contract that specifies the terms and conditions of employment. *The law will go into effect in 180 days.* The County's Office of Consumer Protection(#240-777-3636) will investigate complaints.

Go to: http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Apps/Council/PressRelease/PR_details.asp?PrID=4730.

To review Bill 2-08, go to: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/council/pdf/bill/2008/2-08.pdf>

News from Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Services - Robey Road re-surfacing. To review the newsletter announcement, go to <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/rsc/eastco/55robey2xmicrofinal.pdf> For more information, go to http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgtmpl.asp?url=/content/DPWT/Operations/Highway/2008paving_schedule.asp

Education is the power to think clearly, the power to act well in the world's work, and the power to appreciate life. ~ Brigham Young



Linkages to Learning

YMCA Youth and Family Services
Greencastle Elementary & Banneker Middle Schools

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Linkages to Learning provides family workshops, educational support services, case management, and mental health services to families at Greencastle and Banneker. If you or someone you know is experiencing financial, emotional or social issues, please contact us at 301-572-7001 or 301-476-7672

August Calendar

8/6 4 pm -6 pm Family Picnic at Wheaton Regional Park,
2000 Shorefield Road, Silver Spring, MD 20902

**Transportation is not provided for this event. Please contact Ebony Davis to RSVP or if you have transportation concerns. This picnic is for Greencastle and Banneker Families.*

Volunteers Needed!

Do you have free time?

Volunteer with Linkages to Learning

**We are looking for volunteers to Child Care
during our workshops**

*****Contact Ebony Davis Site Coordinator/Case Manager**

Greencastle Elementary School
13611 Robey Road,
Silver Spring, MD 20904
(301) 572-7001 / Fax (301) 572-7002

Banneker Middle School
14800 Perrywood Drive
Burtonsville, MD 20866
(301) 476-7672 / Fax (301) 476-7660

Donations !

Linkages to Learning is currently accepting donations for school supplies. **All donations are tax deductible.** Supplies needed include:
Backpacks, Pencils, Pens, Rulers, Binders, Composition Books and much more...

Senior SmarTrip Card—On July 1, 2008, the new Metro Senior SmarTrip Card was made available to the general public. Seniors, age 65, may now present to Ride On and Metro operators the new Senior SmarTrip Card and ride free anytime. For details click on any "Senior SmarTrip Card" to get to the PDF in English, Spanish and Chinese.

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/tsvtmpl.asp?url=/content/dot/transit/routesandschedules/fares/>



Back-To- School Fair - Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) will kick off the 2008 - 2009 school year with a

Back - to - School Fair on Saturday, August 16, 2008 from 10:00 am -3:00 pm. The fair will be held at the Grounds of Carver Educational Services Center at 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville. Coordinated by the Department of Communication's Division of Family and Community Partnerships (DFCP), the fair will feature something for everyone-from information resources for parents to activities and entertainment for children. For additional information email youthconnectionsnetworkgroup@yahoo.com

SENIORS and People with Disabilities Ride Free ANYTIME!

on Ride On buses and

***Metrobuses in Montgomery County**

Seniors must be 65 years or older and have a valid Metro Senior ID Card
OR Senior SmarTrip Card **OR** Medicare Card (and a photo ID) and
persons with disabilities must have a valid Metro Disabled ID Card.

Present any ID below to Ride FREE.

**SHOW TO OPERATOR
DO NOT TAP**



***C2, C4, C7, C8, C9, D5, F4, F6, J1, J2, J3, J4, J5 J7, J9, K6, L7, L8, Q2, T2, Y5, Y7, Y8, Y9, Z2, Z6, Z8, Z9, Z11, Z13, Z29**

Revised June 2008 Please call the Transit Information Center for more information, 240-777-RIDE (7433)

County Sponsors Informational Workshops on Available Health Services and Resources - County residents are invited to attend a free information workshop on how to access County health and dental services, and community health care resources. For more information go to:

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=4767



MCP 1st Quarter 2008 Crime Statistics Show Increase in Overall Crime - Montgomery County Police Chief J. Thomas Manger has announced that the crime statistics for the first quarter of 2008 show a 5.0 % increase in total reported crime within Montgomery County. For more information go to: http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Apps/Police/News/NA_details.asp?NaID=4185

Watering Your Trees - Its hot outside and your trees are thirsty. To find out how to properly water them go to: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/deptmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/Forest/wateringtrees.asp>



OLYMPICS 2008

Preparations for the Olympics 2008 -Preparations have been intensified as China nears the opening of the games on **08-08-08**. Check out details at <http://en.beijing2008.cn/>

Marilyn J. Praisner Library, 14910 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, Maryland 20866
Tel 240-773-9460. To review the Marilyn J. Praisner Library's upcoming events and

other learning programs go to **Calendar of Events at:**

<http://host.evanced.info/montgomerycountymd/evanced/eventcalendar.asp?ag=&et=&dt=dr&ds=2008-3-31&de=2008-9-30&df=list&cn=0&private=0&lib=5>

White Oak Library, 11701 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, Maryland 20904 Tel 240-773-9555

To review the White Oak Library's upcoming events and other learning programs go to **Calendar of Events at**

<http://host.evanced.info/montgomerycountymd/evanced/eventcalendar.asp?ag=&et=&dt=dr&ds=2008-3-31&de=2008-9-30&df=list&cn=0&private=0&lib=20>



Meeting and conference room space is available at the Eastern Montgomery Regional Center. To reserve space, call the CUPF agency at #(240) 777-2706

FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEWS - go to
http://montgomerycountymd.gov/Apps/News/press/PR_list.asp

SAVE THE DATE !

EAST COUNTY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

When : October 18, 2008 Time : 9:00 AM —2:00 PM

Where : Marilyn J. Praisner Community Center
14906 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20866

Topic areas for discussion: Health, Housing, Transportation, Education, Economic Development & Public Safety.
Invitations will be sent in early September.

For more information, call 240-777-8400 or email
eastco.citizen@montgomerycountymd.gov

East County Citizens Advisory Board (ECCAB)

Guests are invited to attend the East County Citizens Advisory Board meetings and encouraged to ask questions & provide comments.

Our next ECCAB meeting will be held at the Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center on

Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at 7:15pm

For questions please contact : Tel (240) 777-8400 / TTY (240) 777-8418

*****NO ECCAB MEETINGS HELD IN AUGUST !**

Meetings are open to the Public!

County Agencies to Participate in 60th Annual Montgomery County Fair; Many Departments Consolidated on One Site - More than a dozen County Government departments and agencies will participate in the 60th Annual Montgomery County Agricultural Fair to be held at the Fairgrounds in Gaithersburg August 8 through 16, providing one of the largest presences ever by the County. For more information go to: http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=4781

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web : <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/eastco>



FREE Compost Bins

available at EMRSC

Call 240-777-8400

M-F 8:30 am -5:00 pm



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<https://ext01.montgomerycountymd.gov/entp/s1p/esubpublic/newssubscriber.do>